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Disability Awareness Conference

Sponsored by the
**Secretary's Advisory Committee
for Employees with Disabilities**

September 25-26, 2002
Kansas City, Missouri

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Employees and Managers

Moderator - Helen Cordero

7:30 - 8:30 a.m.	Registration	
8:30 - 8:35 a.m.	Welcome	Waymon Ponds <i>Director, Kansas City Administrative Office</i>
8:35 - 8:45 a.m.	Presentation of Colors	Whiteman Air Force Base Honor Guard <i>United States Air Force</i>
8:45 - 9:00 a.m.	Opening Remarks	Ira L. Hobbs <i>Deputy Chief Information Officer Co-Chair, Secretary's Advisory Committee for Employees with Disabilities</i>
9:00 - 9:15 a.m.	Opening Remarks	Lou Gallegos (Invited) <i>Assistant Secretary for Administration/ Co-Chair, Diversity Advisory Council</i>
		Clyde Thompson (Invited) <i>Associate Assistant Secretary for Administration/ Co-Chair, Diversity Advisory Council</i>
9:15 - 9:45 a.m.	Overview	Ira L. Hobbs <i>Deputy Chief Information Officer Co-Chair, Secretary's Advisory Committee for Employees with Disabilities</i>
		Mark Rey <i>Undersecretary, Natural Resources and Environment Co-Chair, Secretary's Advisory Committee for Employees with Disabilities</i>
9:45 - 10:00 a.m.	Greetings	James Little <i>Administrator, Farm Service Agency</i>
10:00 - 10:15 a.m.		Break
10:15 - 11:45 a.m.	New Reasonable Accommodation Procedures	William Haig <i>USDA Disability Employment Program Manager</i>
11:50 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.		Lunch

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1:00 - 2:15 p.m.

Employment Strategies and Hiring Resources William Haig
*USDA Disability Employment
Program Manager*

Terry Thir
*USDA Disability Program Manager,
Office of Civil Rights*

Samantha Schmucker
Workforce Recruitment Program Coordinator

Maureen Alexander
Missouri Division of Vocational Rehabilitation

Break

2:15 - 2:30 p.m.

2:30 - 3:30 p.m.

Technology Accessible Resources Gives Employment Today (TARGET) Center/ Department of Defense Computer/Electronic Accommodation Program (CAP) Memorandum of Understanding Bruce McFarlane
Acting Director, TARGET Center

Betty Gahn
Acting Director, Midwest TARGET Center

3:30 - 4:30 p.m.

Implementing Section 508 Tracey Ambeau
USDA Section 508 Coordinator

4:30 - 5:00 p.m.

Wrap Up

5:00 - 6:00 p.m.

Reception (Optional) Sponsored by Association for Persons with Disabilities-Kansas City Chapter and National Treasury Employees' Union-Chapter 264

September 26, 2002
Managers

8:30 - 8:35 a.m.

Welcome Tim Witt
*Deputy Administrator,
Risk Management Agency*

8:35 - 9:30 a.m.

Javits-Wagner-O'Day Program Richard Holcombe
Christopher Stearns
*USDA Account Representatives from the
National Industries for the Blind*

9:30 - 9:45 a.m.

Break

9:45 - 11:30 a.m.

Open Forum SACED Members and Presenters
Department of Veterans Affairs Official,
Equal Employment Opportunity Official
Vocational Rehabilitation Officials
USDA Officials